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In re application of )  
Boyle et al. )  
Serial No. 09/682,084 )  
Filed: 7/18/2001 )  
For: Null-Packet Transmission from Inside a )  
Firewall to Open a Communication Window )  
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